



# **INAUGURATION CEREMONY**

**23RD NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL  
NAVAJO BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS  
NAVAJO BOARD OF EDUCATION**

JANUARY 13, 2015  
FIGHTING SCOUTS EVENTS CENTER  
FORT DEFIANCE, ARIZONA  
10:30 A.M.

*"Navajo Leadership – A Sovereign Nation"*

# AGENDA

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Joceyln Billy-Upshaw, *Mistress of Ceremonies*

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Open Seating

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Musical Entertainment - Navajo Nation Band

10:30 a.m.        Procession  
                         Navajo Board of Education  
                         Navajo Board of Election Supervisors  
                         23rd Navajo Nation Council

10:50 a.m.        Posting of the Colors - Tohatchi Veterans Organization

11:05 a.m.        National Anthem - McKeon Dempsey, *Miss Navajo Nation*

11:15 a.m.        Invocation - Avery Denny, *Traditional Healer and Chanter*

11:25 a.m.        Introduction of Dignitaries - *Mistress of Ceremonies*

11:40 a.m.        Welcome Address  
                         LoRenzo Bates, *Speaker Pro Tempore*  
                         22nd Navajo Nation Council

12:00 p.m.        Oath of Office  
                         23rd Navajo Nation Council - *Judge Victoria R. Yazzie*  
                         Navajo Board of Election Supervisors - *Judge Allen Sloan*  
                         Navajo Board of Education - *Judge Malcolm P. Begay*

12:20 p.m.        Honor Song - The Horses, *Drum Group*

12:30 p.m.        Inaugural Address  
                         Dr. Jennifer N. Denetdale, *Associate Professor*  
                         University of New Mexico

12:50 p.m.        Retiring of the Colors - Tohatchi Veterans Organization

1:00 p.m.        Benediction - Milt Shirleson, *Chaplain*  
                         Navajo Nation Police Department



## 23RD NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL

LoRenzo Bates (Nenahnezad, Newcomb, San Juan, Tiis Tsoh Sikaad, Tse'Daa'Kaan, Upper Fruitland)

Kee Allen Begay, Jr. (Low Mountain, Many Farms, Nazlini, Tachee/Blue Gap, Tselani/Cottonwood)

Mel Begay (Coyote Canyon, Mexican Springs, Naschitti, Tohatchi, Bahastl'a'a')

Norman M. Begay (Alamo, Ramah, Tohajiilee)

Nelson BeGaye (Lukachukai, Rock Point, Round Rock, Tsaile/Wheatfields, Tsé Ch' izhi)

Benjamin L. Bennett (Crystal, Fort Defiance, Red Lake, Sawmill)

Nathaniel Brown (Chilchinbeto, Dennehotso, Kayenta)

Tom Chee (Shiprock)

Amber Kanazbah Crotty (Beclabito, Cove, Gadi'i'áhi/To'Koi, Red Valley, Sheepsprings, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills, Tsé alnáoz't'I'i)

Seth Damon (Bááhááí, Chichiltah, Manuelito, Tsé Lichíí, Rock Springs, Tsayatoh)

Davis Filfred (Mexican Water, Aneth, Teecnospos, Tólikan, Red Mesa)

Jonathan Hale (Oak Springs, St. Michaels)

Lee Jack, Sr. (Dilkon, Greasewood Springs, Indian Wells, Teesto, Whitecone)

Jonathan Nez (Shonto, Naatsis'aan, Oljato, Ts'ah Bii Kin)

Jonathan Perry (Becenti, Crownpoint, Huerfano, Lake Valley, Nageezi, Nahodishgish, Tse'ii'ahi, Whiterock)

Leonard H. Pete (Chinle)

Walter Phelps (Cameron, Coalmine Canyon, Leupp, Tolani Lake, Tsidi To ii)

Alton Joe Shepherd (Jeddito, Cornfields, Ganado, Kin Dah Lichíí, Steamboat)

Tauchoney Slim, Jr. (Bodaway/Gap, Coppermine, K'ai'Bii'To, LeChee, Tonalea/Red Lake)

Raymond Smith, Jr. (Houck, Klagetoh, Nahata Dziil, Tsé Si áni, Wide Ruins)

Otto Tso (Tó Nanees Dizi)

Leonard Tsosie (Baca/Prewitt, Casamero Lake, Counselor, Littlewater, Ojo Encino, Pueblo Pintado, Torreon, Whitehorse Lake)

Dwight Witherspoon (Black Mesa, Forest Lake, Hardrock, Pinon, Whippoorwill)

Edmund Yazzie (Churchrock, Iyanbito, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake, Thoreau)

## **NAVAJO BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS**

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*Bertha Aguirre - At Large with Fort Defiance Agency*

*Leslie Chavez - At Large with Eastern Navajo Agency*

*Ruth Gilmore - At Large with Western Navajo Agency*

*Watona Kellywood - At Large with Northern Navajo Agency*

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*Dolly C. Begay- At Large with Eastern Navajo Agency*

*Dr. Pauline M. Begay - At Large with Fort Defiance Agency*

*Marlene Burbank - At Large with Chinle Navajo Agency*

*Delores Greyeyes - At Large with Western Navajo Agency*

*Bernadette Todacheene - At Large with Northern Navajo Agency*

## **SPECIAL THANKS**

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*Window Rock Unified School District*

*Navajo Nation Gaming Enterprise*

*Navajo Nation Oil & Gas Co.*

*Navajo Engineering and Construction Authority*

*Navajo Agricultural Products Industry*

*Navajo Arts and Crafts Enterprise*

*Navajo Tribal Utility Authority*

*St. Michael Indian School*